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Troutdale Sole Source Aquifer
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U. S. EPA Considers Request to Designate Troutdale Aquifer "Sole Source"

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is considering a request to designate an aquifer system in Clark County, Washington a "sole source aquifer." A sole source aquifer is an underground water supply designated by EPA as the only or principal source of drinking water for an area. The system being considered is commonly known as the Troutdale Aquifer System and lies beneath about one half of Clark County.

The petitioners state that the aquifer system provides 97% of the drinking water to people living over the aquifer area. They also state that there are no other sources of drinking water nearby that would be economically feasible to develop.

You are invited to comment on EPA's draft support document describing how the aquifer meets the sole source designation criteria. Find it and the official petition at:

www.epa.gov/r10earth/Troutdale_SSA.htm or at the **Vancouver Community Library, 1007 East Mill Plain Blvd., Vancouver, WA 98663, 360-695-1566.**

Send or email your comments by **May 1, 2006** to

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EPA will consider comments related to the aquifer system boundaries, drinking water-use calculations, and other drinking water sources. A designation allows EPA to review and approve federally funded projects which could contaminate the aquifer. EPA will hold a public hearing if enough people are interested. If you are interested, contact **Martha Lentz** by **March 17, 2006** at **800-424-4372, ext. 1593**, or **lentz.martha@epa.gov**.